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Jemayel, Assad meet today to mend fences

BEIRUT. — Presidents Amin Jemayel of Lebanon and Hafez Assad of Syria will hold summit talks in Damascus today in a fresh effort to end Lebanon's nine-year-old civil war.

A security committee of the principal warring factions was expected to call a cease-fire throughout Lebanon on the eve of Jemayel's departure to Damascus, administration officials here said.

The committee was expected to set a midday deadline for the disengagement along Beirut's "green line" in the city's southern suburbs and the mountainous town of Souk el-Gharb, east of the capital, the officials said.

A disengagement force of 1,800 policemen and army conscripts, with 40 French and 40 Lebanese observers is to move into buffer zones on all three frontlines simultaneously.

A terse statement from Jemayel's presidential palace said the president would make a "working visit" to Damascus at Assad's invitation aimed at "developing bilateral relations between the two nations."

In Damascus, the state radio announced the agreement on the visit with a lengthy commentary asserting "Syria's determination to restore justice and equality among all Lebanese communities on the basis of no victor and no vanquished."

"Syria is anxious to see the establishment of a government of national unity in Lebanon... and will continue to help Lebanon to end the Israeli occupation and

restore its independence and sovereignty."

The Assad government for long backed Druse and Shi'ite militias in the civil war against rightist Christian irregulars of the Phalange Party, founded and headed by Jemayel's father, Pierre Jemayel. But Damascus took a mediator's posture when Jemayel bowed to Syria's demand and scrapped Lebanon's troop withdrawal pact with Israel last month.

Political analysts said a key question is whether Lebanon's Christian leaders, who torpedoed the last attempts at national reconciliation, would go along with planned reforms.

Fady Frem, commander of the Phalange-dominated Lebanese Forces Christian militia, told Christian leaders on Tuesday:

"We favour the dialogue with Syria on bilateral relations, but oppose dialogue on the Lebanese crisis."

Former president Suleiman Frangieh, who rejected agreement on reforms proposed at talks in Geneva last month on the grounds that Lebanon's Maronite Christian president would be forced to give up too much power, now appears to be in agreement. On Tuesday he predicted Jemayel would be able to form a national unity government soon. Yesterday he met an envoy from Syrian Vice-President Abdel-Halim Khaddam.

Former premier Rashid Karamel, considered most likely to become premier, also met the envoy. Beirut was largely quiet yesterday after clashes on Tuesday night (AP, Reuters).

Syria: We'll strike at Israel if Israel hits camps in Syria

KUWAIT (Reuters). — Syrian Defence Minister Mustafa Tlas told the Kuwait daily *Al-Qabas* that Syria "will strike against Israeli settlements if Israel attacks Palestinian camps in Syria."

In an interview published yesterday, Tlas also said that under the Arab-Soviet cooperation and friendship treaty, "the Soviet Union is bound to defend Syrian troops and territory."

Tlas, who is deputy commander-in-chief of the armed forces, said in the Damascus interview that a return of Syrian troops to Beirut is "not out of the question if the Lebanese government requests that."

Referring to what he called "American threats to Syria," Tlas was quoted as saying that "300 Syrian pilots had volunteered to carry out suicidal operations against American warships in the Lebanese territorial waters when these warships intervened in the inter-Lebanese fighting and threatened Syrian positions."

Communications Minister Mordechai Zilpuri said yesterday that Israel will keep hitting the terrorists "wherever we find them and in any country that lets them operate from its territory."

Zilpuri, speaking during a visit to Samaria, added that "Israel doesn't ignore Arab threats, but it isn't overly impressed by them either. There's a big gap between what Tlas says and what he can do. If he means to support the terrorists, it'll be a mistake for him," Zilpuri warned.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Damascus Radio said last night that the IDF has recently reinforced its troops along the ceasefire line in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley, Kol Yisrael reported.

The Syrian radio claimed that the reinforcement included heavy artillery and armour. It added that the IDF has closed the valley to all traffic for 15 days for what Damascus Radio alleged were preparations for an IDF attack on Syrian forces.

None hurt in 4 attacks in South Lebanon

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. — No one was injured yesterday in four attacks on Israeli and South Lebanon Army (SLA) forces in Lebanon.

In the first incident, a rocket propelled grenade was fired at an IDF outpost in Maaroub village. Fire was returned.

A remote control bomb went off at the roadside as an IDF patrol made its way through the Bourj ash-Shanail refugee camp outside Tyre. The camp has been the scene

of several attacks on the IDF recently. East of the Zaharani River, IDF sappers dismantled another roadside bomb.

In Sidon, a grenade was thrown at SLA troops.

Meanwhile, the IDF is continuing quietly to transfer responsibility for security in various villages and towns to the SLA.

The plan is being carried out in order to make possible the thinning out of IDF forces in certain areas, thus reducing the number of casualties in attacks.



A French observer looks through a pair of binoculars across West Beirut yesterday while holding a map of the city. The observers took up positions in the tallest building in West Beirut previously held and used by Shi'ite fighters as an artillery spotting position. The French also took over the tallest building in East Beirut. (UPI telephoto)

Senate legal panel reports:

Israeli, Soviet Jewish immigrants involved in U.S. organized crime

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Israeli and Soviet Jewish immigrants are becoming increasingly involved in organized crime in New York City, according to a just published Senate Judiciary Committee study. The two groups are said to be totally disconnected.

The study, which also analyzed crime by other immigrant groups, was based on testimony from the New York City police department's organized crime control bureau.

The report said former Israelis are believed involved "in a myriad of organized criminal activities." "Intelligence, to date, indicates, there are approximately 1,000 individuals, loosely structured, with several key members, possibly in leadership roles. Approximately 100 legitimate businesses in the New York area have been identified as being operated by this group," the study says.

While saying that Soviet Jewish immigrants' crime still lacks "sophisticated structure," the study describes it as "ominous."

Israeli organized crime in New York, "appears to be growing and becoming increasingly more violent. Furthermore, the group seems to be able to generate large sums of revenue from illicit activities, and, in turn, reinvests these monies in additional businesses. The group will remain relatively unknown and insulated, because of their low-key life style, ethnicity, and the sophisticated nature of their crimes. They will utilize the services of other organized crime groups, if their expertise or conduits are needed. Apparently, this group will pose a significant problem for law enforcement authorities in the coming years," the report states.

There are indications that the Israeli crime network is spreading throughout the northeastern U.S., and the study also notes the group's international operations.

Israeli crime is said to be "well entrenched in southern California, Arizona and southern Florida," with extensive contacts in the Near East, southern Europe, South America, Canada and Mexico. Several members have served

prison sentences in Israel." California and Arizona authorities say this group was involved in insurance frauds, fictitious billing, bankruptcy fraud, extortion, narcotics deals, illegal immigration and homicide.

"It has been documented that these Israelis are heavily involved in the importation distribution of narcotics, specifically cocaine and heroin, through the use of a highly sophisticated syndicate," report says. Also noted are the counterfeiting of credit cards, fraudulent purchases and false billing. These crimes have cost several major New York banks an estimated multi-million dollar loss.

In addition, it said, "violence, in the form of homicides and kidnappings, has been utilized by this group."

Soviet Jewish organized crime in New York City, the report said, has been less sophisticated, but this group is said to be responsible for a series of crimes including murder, robbery, burglary, extortion and

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Nissim: No revision of Gahal pact

Jerusalem Post Staff

Justice Minister Moshe Nissim yesterday warned that the only unilateral action that would be effective on the Herut-Liberal agreement would be its abrogation by Herut. Any lesser revision of the pact required the consent of both parties, and the Liberals, said Nissim, would not consent to any revision before the elections.

Nissim is running against Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i and Knesset Speaker Menahem Savidor for the No. 1 slot on the Liberals' Knesset list. The balloting will take place next Thursday.

Nissim said he "strongly urged Herut to drop its demands" for a revision of the 19-year-old Gahal agreement on power-allocation between the two parties. "Instead, let's get on with the job of beating Labour," he said.

Speaking to *The Jerusalem Post*, he said that reports of a waning of the pressure from Herut on this issue were "premature." He was sure, he added, that Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir was not initiating this pressure, but rather found himself pressured by other forces within his party. Shamir himself, Nissim said, "wants his letter of last October to be honoured."

In that letter, drafted jointly by Shamir and Nissim and addressed to

the Liberal secretariat, the premier, then newly come to power, pledged that "the Likud agreement... continues to be in effect and it is, of course, binding on the parties. It is inconceivable, therefore, that any unilateral changes could be made in this agreement."

Nissim implied that it had been wrong of Moda'i to meet with Shamir on the issue on Sunday morning because the Liberal presidium had ruled on Friday that there should be no meetings or conversations, on any level, between the two parties on the issue.

At Sunday's meeting Moda'i conveyed to the premier the Liberal's rejection of any changes in the agreement.

Herut will decide tonight whether to continue attempting to amend the Gahal agreement which in 1965 determined the ratio of Herut to Liberal Knesset candidates on the Likud list. At the same time a Liberal counter-offensive may be launched this afternoon when the party council gathers.

The issue will also come up in the Jerusalem District Court today which will resume deliberation into the question of whether the agreement may be amended after having issued an interim injunction on the matter last Monday.

According to some Herut in-

siders, the party will be ready to settle for a veto over who the Liberals try to tack onto the Herut list. This would not alter the ratio of Liberal to Herut MKs and might serve the interests of the Liberal ministers as well.

The survivability of the Gahal agreement is said to depend on what sort of a Knesset list the Liberals elect. If the first 15 names on the Liberal list include people thought undependable in Herut, it is thought that some amendment of the agreement would be unavoidable.

The Liberals will begin their process of selecting candidates this afternoon when the party council gathers to decide if it should retain a ruling which requires that any MK who has served for two or more terms of office must garner the support of at least 60 per cent of the central committee members if he is to seek another term.

Tehiya opts for joint list with Tzomet

Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Tehiya central committee decided last night, by a vote of 21-7, to contest the Knesset elections in a joint list with former chief of staff Rafael Eitan's Tzomet movement.

The central committee did not make any decision on the composition of the Knesset list.

The stiffest opposition came as expected from MK Gula Cohen, who would be pushed down the party's Knesset slate list by Eitan.

It was uncertain if Tehiya unity could be maintained in face of her opposition or whether she and her supporters would choose to return to Herut.

The proposal, as introduced by Tehiya leader Yuval Ne'eman, sees the first slot as going to Ne'eman, the second to Eitan and the third to Cohen. She may be pushed even down further if former Tehiya MK Hanan Porat runs on his own. If he does, it is thought in Tehiya that he might bite into its support and that it would have to put a Gush Emunim candidate in the third slot so as not to lose all of the movement's votes.

Cohen and her group, all of whom bolted Herut to form Tehiya, might, however, find their way back into Herut far from smooth and that she cannot be guaranteed a safe slot on that party's slate.

Libyans bow to British in 'embassy war'

LONDON (AP). — Police besieged Libya's embassy for the second day yesterday while in Tripoli, Libyan authorities lifted a siege of the British mission there amid the first hints of easing in the two nations' stand-off.

A Foreign Office spokesman said Ambassador Oliver Miles and 24 other Britons were permitted to leave yesterday afternoon after being trapped in their Tripoli embassy for more than 24 hours and "some did so."

"We welcome this," said the spokesman, who asked not to be identified.

In London, police released without charge four Libyans detained after a gunman Tuesday fired from an upstairs embassy window on exiles demonstrating against Libyan leader Col. Muammar Gaddafi. The machine gun blasts killed a policeman and wounded 11 protesters.

For the first time, as police continued sporadic telephone negotiations at the embassy, a Libyan diplomat left the building ringed by sharpshooters and had talks at the Foreign Office.

Muftah Fitouri, from the embassy's political section, spent 40 minutes with Minister of State Richard Luce.

Luce reiterated Britain's demand that the mixture of diplomats and revolutionary students holed up in the five-storey building should leave. A Foreign Office spokesman said, Fitouri, the spokesman said, returned to confer with Gaddafi's administration.

Officers commanding the siege at the embassy in London's elegant St. James's Square said they'd sit tight for "as long as it takes" to avoid more bloodshed.

Police sent in Arab-style meals to the embassy overlooking the eerily quiet, sealed-off square near London's bustling Piccadilly.

Earlier in Tripoli, Ambassador Miles had been escorted by armed guards to the Foreign Ministry.

The Foreign Office said Libya also lifted a siege around the ambassador's residence, where his wife Julia had been trapped with her four children.

Seven other wives of British diplomats who had been encircled in their homes were now free to come and go, the Foreign Office said, but the British Embassy and diplomats' homes remained under guard.

Three non-diplomats who were arrested in apparent revenge for the London siege remained in custody, and Miles was "doing best" to get them freed, the Foreign Office spokesman said.

Luce said early yesterday the Libyans inside the London embassy, known as the People's Bureau, had "expressed regret" about the killing of policeman Yvonne Fletcher, 25.

But there was no formal apology, and the Libyan Foreign Ministry and radio, which have charged that British police attacked the embassy, poured out anti-British rhetoric.

Foreign Office sources said they were concerned the broadcasts might trigger reprisals against the 8,000 Britons in Libya.

But Luce said in a radio interview he did not think the British nationals, mainly on contracts with oil companies, were in "immediate danger."

Five senior Conservative cabinet ministers, formed into a crisis committee, conferred and stipulated the siege should continue, sources said.

"We ask them (the Libyans) to come out peacefully and thus enable us to go in and search for weapons and explosives. We are doing our utmost to resolve the problem peacefully," said Luce.

In London, informed Arab sources late last night said two Libyan diplomats were acting as go-betweens. They had not been in the building during the shooting.

In Washington, Secretary of State George Shultz condemned Libya as "a troublemaker in the world" and said the shooting from the embassy in London merely symbolized the "out-of-bounds behaviour" of Gaddafi's regime.

IDF to cut length of reservist duty

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Post Defence Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The IDF has geared itself to terrorist attacks in Israel and Southern Lebanon continuing at their present high level. Deputy Chief of Staff Aluf David Ivri told military correspondents here yesterday. Reviewing the army's plans for the fiscal year which began on April 1, Ivri said the IDF had therefore planned for increasing the number of security forces.

The army is short of troops, he maintained, but is aware of pressures in the civilian sector against long call-ups for the third consecutive year due to the war in Lebanon. The IDF therefore has decided to limit to 50 days a year the time commanders in fighting units may serve. The soldiers in those units may be called up for no more than 45 days, he added.

To meet manpower requirements the army expects to thin out its presence in unsensitive areas so as

to maintain its full presence in Lebanon, the West Bank and Gaza Strip, he said.

Soldiers fulfilling jobs in high demand in service units — drivers for example — may also be called up for 50 days, he said.

Service units and rear echelon headquarters will be the ones most affected by the 11 to 13 per cent cut in the defence budget, which will total \$1 463.5b, he said.

The cut will require the cancellation of 700 positions for career soldiers and some 430 in the number of army civilian employees. But since the units will have to provide the same level of service, Ivri said, the burden on regular soldiers there will increase.

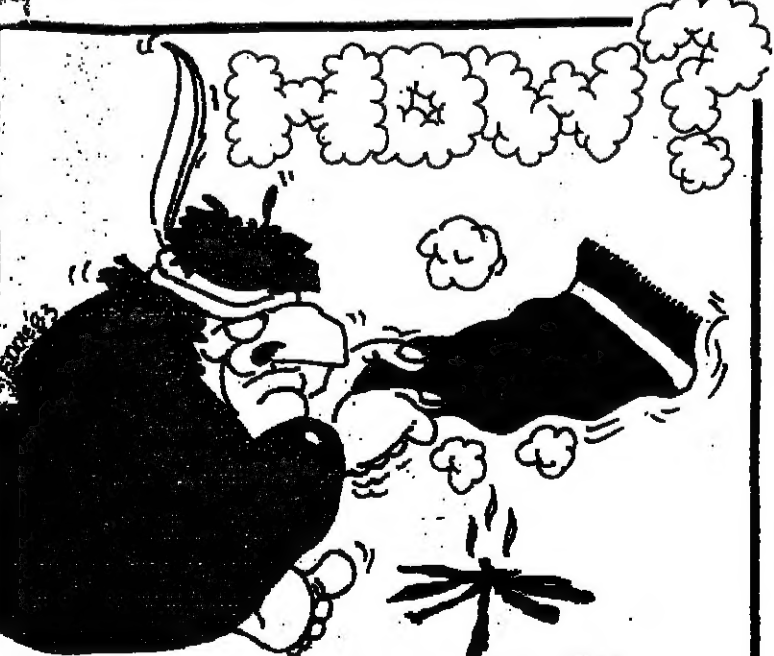
He insisted that research and development projects will be affected minimally. Some projects will take longer, but few will be cancelled, he said.

Capital of Punjab placed under curfew

NEW DELHI (Reuters). — The Punjab state capital Chandigarh was put under curfew yesterday as India linked neighbouring Pakistan to Sikh extremist violence in the sensitive border state.

The curfew, the first ever imposed in Chandigarh, was ordered after Hindus rampaged through the city during a funeral procession for a leader killed Tuesday by extremists.

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HONG KONG	21	28	Clear
HILANSHUBU	13	25	Clear
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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy with comfortable temperatures

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Max
Jerusalem	15	10-27	20
Golan	38	10-23	18
Nahariya	47	9-19	15
Safed	37	16-29	24
Haifa Port	53	13-26	24
Tiberias	39	11-24	22
Nazareth	34	11-26	21
Afula	33	13-28	22
Sharon	32	14-32	24
Tel Aviv	34	15-33	25
B-G Airport	25	14-32	30
Jericho	54	16-33	25
Gaza	15	17-34	26
Beersheba	21	22-32	32

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Ben-Gurion Airport police commander Arish Bibi yesterday was promoted to nitsav-mishne.

ARRIVALS

French Minister of Transport Jacques Lang, for a private visit as guest of French Ambassador Jacques-Pierre Dupont.

N.Y. TIMES. — In reference to *The New York Times* report in yesterday's Post, "IDF confirms all hijackers killed in rescue operation," *The New York Times* Israel correspondent David Shipper did not report that two of the bus hijackers were captured alive.

Mini-marathon might foul Jerusalem traffic

Jerusalem motorists are advised of possible traffic jams today along the route of the mini-marathon. The run, which begins at Liberty Bell Garden at 3 p.m. and goes on for about two hours, follows a route along Derech Beit Lehem, Derech Hebron, through Gilo, Rehov Ihud Ha'ir, Rehov Pierre Koenig, Derech Marakevet, and ends at Liberty Bell Garden. (See Sports, page 6)

One dead, one injured in Beersheba accident

BEERSHEBA (Itim). — The passenger of a car which overturned here last night was badly injured and died on the way to hospital. The driver of the car was slightly injured and suffered shock. No names were released last night.

Police hold suspect in sexual assault

LOD (Itim). — Police have detained a young man suspected of sexually assaulting a nine-year-old girl on Monday evening. The girl told police the man dragged her to the entrance of an air raid shelter and attacked her while she was on the way to her grandmother's home here.

First Int'l reports IS518m. adjusted profit

By PINHAS LANDAU Post Business Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The First International Bank yesterday reported an unaudited nominal profit of IS2,485 million and an adjusted profit of IS518 m. for the first quarter of 1984. The bank thus continues to show a growth in real profits, at a time when the rest of the banking system is suffering heavy losses.

The First International is the only bank to report quarterly figures, albeit in unaudited form. Results for the first quarter of the current year show pre-tax operating profits up 48 per cent after inflation, at IS2,485 m.

These "real" figures are achieved by simply discounting the rate of inflation between first-quarter '83 and first-quarter '84. The "adjusted" figures, computed in line with advisory opinion 23 of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants and taking account of the effect of inflation on the various components of the balance sheet, give a "bottom-line" of IS518 m., compared to IS479 m. last year — in constant March 1984 shekels.

These latter figures indicate only a modest growth in profitability, but the fact is that the First Inter-

HOME AND WORLD NEWS

Weizman: It's not our job to oust Syria from Lebanon

By MARK SEGAL Post Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Ezer Weizman yesterday declared that Israel must recognize Syria's interest in Lebanon.

Elaborating on the defence and foreign affairs planks of his new Yahud Party's platform, the former defence minister declared in a statement that "it is not our job to chuck the Syrians out of Lebanon. There is no point in our declaring that we won't leave Lebanon until the Syrians go."

Yahud's platform talks of "Israel being sunk deep into the Lebanese morass," with Weizman calling for the withdrawal of the IDF as quickly as possible along with security arrangements for Galilee.

Weizman declined to reveal the composition of his list, saying he would do so when he considers the time ripe. He did reveal, however, his readiness for Yahud to join a

government led either by Labour or the Likud after the elections. Hitherto he had ruled out cooperation with any MK who had voted for the war in Lebanon, terming them "tainted."

Talking of his domestic programme, Weizman said it focuses on "our soft underbelly, the economy," and he spoke of a liberal economic programme, including the simplification of the tax system. "We have to have a government that smiles on citizens, not punishes them all the time."

The party platform was written by a team headed by Aluf (res) Avraham Tamir, who was Weizman's strategic adviser at the Defence Ministry. The campaign organizers are Aluf (res) Motti Hod and Tat-Aluf (res) Binyamin Ben-Eliezer. Weizman's publicity director is his former business partner David Koolitz, and party treasurer is Rami Unger. Weizman's present business partner.

Ex-minister Ze'ev Sharef dies

Ze'ev Sharef, a former cabinet minister, died in Jerusalem last night at the age of 78.

Sharef was born in Bukovina, then part of the Austro-Hungarian empire. He arrived here in 1925, joined Kibbutz Shefayim, and undertook many Zionist missions to Europe, including underground activities in Europe during World War Two.

In the months preceding the establishment of the state, he drew up the blueprints for the structure of government and was Israel's first cabinet secretary. He also served as civil service commissioner and chief of state revenues.

He was elected to the Knesset in 1965 and was housing minister in Golda Meir's government. He was also minister of finance and of commerce and industry.

He is survived by a son, Yair, and a daughter, Zipporah. Sharef's



oldest son, Kalonymus, an army doctor, died two months ago. The funeral is to leave the Sanhedria funeral parlour today at noon for the Har Hamenuhot cemetery.

Supreme Court gets two new justices

Judges Eliezer Goldberg and Avraham Halima became the Supreme Court's newest justices on Monday at a ceremony in Beit Hanassi. Present, in addition to President Chaim Herzog, were Justice Minister Moshe Nissim, president of the Supreme Court Justice Meir Shamgar and members of the bench.



President Chaim Herzog yesterday receives newly appointed Supreme Court Justices Avraham Halima (centre) and Eliezer Goldberg. (Rahamim Israeli)

Bank launches dollarized standing orders

By PINHAS LANDAU Post Business Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A new standing order programme for customers who need to make regular payments linked to the index or one of the main foreign currencies has been introduced by Bank Leumi.

The service, called *Tashumit* and available only at Leumi, allows customers to enter a standing order to be executed at whatever exchange rate he is bound to for the purposes of his payment — Bank of Israel representative rate, buying or selling rate for banknotes or transfers.

The bank claims this service will not only simplify and streamline the numerous payments already based on index or dollar linkage, but will also gradually supercede the current practice of staggered payments (usually monthly) for goods bought whereby each payment increases to take account of the projected rate of inflation. The use of linked standing orders will allow buyers and sellers to accurately fix the price at which they wish to make the transaction.

The effect of this payment system, if it catches on among retailers and consumers, will be to "dollarize" the economy even more than is already the case. At the moment, most large transactions are calculated in dollars, so as to keep abreast of the rapid daily depreciation in the value of the shekel. With this development, this tendency will spread to the retail sector and encompass almost every level of economic activity.

national remains the only commercial bank consistently to show real profits, whether adjusted or not. The other major banks have yet to publish their 1983 results, but these are expected to show substantial losses.

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Performers at yesterday's political theatre in the Liberty Bell Garden in Jerusalem give their impression of the government coalition. (Rahamim Israeli)

High Court allows political theatre in Jerusalem park

By MICHAEL EILAN Jerusalem Post Reporter

A left-wing group yesterday put on "political street theatre" against the war in Lebanon just a few hours after winning High Court of Justice permission to use a Jerusalem park for the show.

More than 200 people attended the show in the Liberty Bell Garden. There was one minor scuffle between one of the participants in the show and a heckler, and both were taken to a police station to give statements.

A relatively large police force waited near the park in case of disturbances, and senior officers circulated in the crowd. The show consisted of satirical skits in black humour about the war, Minister-without-Portfolio Ariel Sharon and the government.

As the show was going on, participants walked around dressed in sur-

geons' dress, as the angel of death or with pesticide sprays marked "cockroaches" (a reference to former chief of staff Rafael Eitan who referred to Arabs as cockroaches). Nearby one participant handed out horoscopes saying "beware of trips to the North. Khaki is your unlucky colour."

The Jerusalem municipality had tried to stop the show, which it had originally authorized, saying the park should not become the arena for political shows.

The committee applied to the High Court for an interim injunction ordering the municipality and police to allow the show to proceed.

Justices Meir Shamgar, Aharon Barak, and Gavriel Bach granted this injunction. They also ordered the city and police to show cause within one week why they should not refrain from allowing such shows in the future.

Kissinger said opting out of gov't economic conference

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Former U.S. secretary of state Henry Kissinger has decided to cancel his participation in the coming Jerusalem International Economic Conference.

The conference, scheduled to open on May 20, will be attended by representatives of some of the largest corporations in the U.S. and other industrial countries. Organizers say a canceled Kissinger

Kissinger told the organizers some days ago that he had reconsidered his position. One of his main considerations is said to be the proximity of the Knesset elections to the conference. Kissinger fears the conference may be used as an issue in the campaign.

A spokesman for Economics Minister Ya'acov Meridor, who is organizing the meeting, said yesterday there were "reports" that Kissinger had "doubts" about his visit.

Asked about Kissinger's motives, the spokesman said he could not react to a "statement put forward as a fact, rather than as a question". He refused to comment further, saying the ministry is interested in Kissinger's final decision, and not his reasons for any hesitation about attending.

Policeman pays to get back his stolen pistol

BEERSHEBA (Itim). — Two men attacked a Border Policeman here on Tuesday night, stole his service pistol, and showed up at his home Wednesday morning to offer to return the weapon in return for a large sum of cash and a promise not to report the incident.

The policeman paid and the pistol was returned, after which the two men ran off. The policeman filed a complaint with the police.

OLYMPICS. — French President Francois Mitterrand yesterday expressed support for the staging of the 1992 Olympic Games in Paris.

CRIME

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gambling in Brighton Beach, Brooklyn.

The Russian-Jewish network surfaced in 1975 when the so-called "potato bag gang," formerly of the Odessa region, posed as merchant seamen whose ships were docked in the area. "They would offer for sale what appeared to be gold Russian coins to other Soviet immigrant 'marks,' but would switch packages before delivery and the buyer would wind up with nothing more than a bag of potatoes."

Russian immigrants "who were involved in the black market activities in the Soviet Union find U.S. laws too soft and their propensity toward criminal activity inevitably becomes convenient and opportune. The U.S. is a haven for them and ripe for the picking. It is also noted that many Russians become involved in the black market in Russia out of necessity."

According to the study, the Russian Jewish gangs are involved in protection rackets, gambling, confidence schemes, counterfeiting, forgery, and sales of licences and travel documents, smuggling, burglary, armed robbery, drug and weapon sales and murder.

Novel rejected 13 times gets Pulitzer Prize

NEW YORK (AP). — William Kennedy won the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction Monday for his novel *Ironweed*, which was rejected 13 times before it was published by Viking Press in 1983.

Playwright David Mamet was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for Drama for his play *Glengarry Glen Ross* about real estate salesmen using cutthroat tactics to sell worthless tracts of Florida land.

Theodor Seuss Geisel, known by his pen name "Dr. Seuss," received a special citation for his 44 children's books, including *The Cat in the Hat*, *Yertle the Turtle* and *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*.

Arafat in Morocco for meeting on J'lem

RABAT (Reuters). — Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat arrived in Morocco yesterday for an Islamic Committee meeting on Jerusalem which starts in Fez today, the Moroccan news agency MAP said.

The secretary-general of the Islamic Conference Organization (ICO), Habib Chatty, also arrived yesterday while Jordanian Foreign Minister Taher Masri has been in Morocco since Tuesday.

ORTHOPEDICS. — Among the subjects to be discussed at the Sixth International Congress of Orthopedics in Haifa next week will be the computer-assisted design of artificial joints.

QUIZ. — Some 30 young people from 16 countries are expected to compete in the annual World Bibis Quiz in Jerusalem next month.

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husband of Chaya, father of Joseph and Yaffa Liberman and Batya and Elchanan Ebert.
was killed in a car accident Monday, Erev Passah in Chicago.
His body will arrive at the Shamgar Funeral Parlour for burial on the Mount of Olives Cemetery, today, Thursday, April 19, 1984, at 3.00 p.m.

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who served for years as chairman of the University's Executive Committee, and extends its sympathy to the bereaved family.

The funeral will leave today from the Sanhedria funeral parlour at 12 noon for interment at the Har Hamenuhot cemetery.

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Professor HAROLD J. WERSHOW

A memorial service will be held at the Givat Shaul cemetery, Jerusalem, on Thursday, April 26 at 4.00 p.m.

We will meet at the entrance.

Mrs. Jean Wershow, Jerusalem
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Sharon trying to pack Herut list

By SARAH HONIG
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Ariel Sharon will try to get as many of his followers as possible onto Herut's Knesset list in order to bolster his position in the party. The contest shaping up in the party is not over which slot to allot to Sharon, but over how many of his supporters will appear in safe slots, leading activists in all the anti-Sharon groups in the party believe.

It is feared in Herut that if Sharon succeeds in getting a large number of his supporters on the list, the Alignment will be able to claim that he is the Likud's candidate for defence minister and present him as a danger to the country.

Some of this is already happening, and it is pointed out in Herut that MK Moshe Shaleh, handling information for Labour during the campaign, has already stated that his main line would be that "the choice this time is between Sharon and peace."

Herut fears Sharon will drive out of the floating vote away from the Likud.

The line in Herut is to distance the party as much as possible from Sharon. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir intends to announce unequivocally that he will not appoint Sharon as defence minister if re-elected. His candidate will be

Defence Minister Moshe Arens, but in order to make that promise good, Sharon must be convincingly defeated.

The Prime Minister's Office yesterday denied press reports, purportedly emanating from "sources close to Shamir," that Shamir will make a supreme effort to keep Sharon out of the second place on the list. The prime minister, the denial stated, does not intervene in internal ballots choosing Herut's candidates for the coming elections. "Mr. Shamir has many persons in Herut who are close to him and they naturally have views which do not necessarily reflect those of the prime minister," the statement concluded.

The first round in this battle will be fought on May 2, when the party's central committee elects by secret ballot a panel of 35 Herut candidates to the Knesset. A week later, on May 9, the committee will reconvene and in five more secret ballots will rank the 35 in groups of seven.

These will be the two crucial contests for Sharon and his opponents. The Shamir and David Levy camps, along with all of the Herut cabinet ministers and other powerbrokers will seek to make sure that Sharon does not win second place in the list. Their candidate for the place is Levy.

The aim will be to keep Sharon out of even the third or fourth position. By making sure that Arens wins third place, his claim to the defence ministry will be more convincing than Sharon's. Fourth place is earmarked for Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orad, but only if all the anti-Sharon forces come out on top.

Former cabinet secretary Arye Naor yesterday appealed to Shamir in an article in *Haaretz* to combine with his cabinet colleagues to stop Sharon from taking over Herut and the Likud, and then the government. Naor, a nephew of David Raziel, the late Irgun Zvai Keumi commander, urged Shamir to block Sharon's forward march. "Precisely because this progress expresses the authentic feelings of a segment of the public, is it all the more dangerous," Naor argued.

Sharon misled the cabinet during the Lebanon war, with the result that his "grand design" which the cabinet had rejected was in fact put into effect, Naor said.

Naor also recalled how the late Simha Ehrlich in his TV appearance before his death confirmed that there had been "provocation" (by Sharon), and how former prime minister Menachem Begin admitted to having been presented with *faits accomplis* during the war.



American TV actor Robert (Benson) Guillaume, reportedly a favourite of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, stops by for a chat in the premier's office yesterday. (Rahamim Israeli)

Shamir and 'Benson' like each other's shows

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir yesterday gave Robert (Benson) Guillaume seven more minutes than he gave Barbra Streisand, apparently because, as Shamir said, he enjoys the American TV star's programme.

Guillaume, referred to as Benson by everybody in his party and by the Israeli officials, bodyguards, photographers, secretaries, drivers and handymen working in the Prime Minister's Office, responded to Shamir's compliment by saying that he enjoys Shamir's TV show.

"You're on every night on the six o'clock news," said Guillaume, who together with Albert (Prof. Sharofsky) Haig of *Fame* fame, paid a courtesy call on the premier yesterday morning.

Shamir did not seem to recognize Haig, the white-haired musician with the slightly European accent who plays the sentimental but gruff music teacher on the television

series.

Both actors told *The Jerusalem Post* after the 10-minute meeting that they were "surprised" to find the courtesy call on their agenda during their stay in the country as entertainers at a number of benefits.

Said Guillaume: "I was surprised and, of course, very flattered. But I didn't ask any questions. It might have ended up as a two-hour negotiation."

Asked what they talked about with the prime minister during the five minutes of the meeting in which they were left alone by the photographers, Guillaume said that he could not characterize the meeting as "talks."

"With all the problems he has I don't see how he has time," to meet with visiting television actors, he said.

From Shamir's office the two men went to the new cardiology department at Shaare Zedek Hospital. At noon they met with Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kolek.

Increase in NII benefits for poor

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Low-income recipients of National Insurance benefits will receive a 12 per cent increase this month as a special compensation for the expected large jump in the cost-of-living this month, in accordance with an agreement between the NII and the Treasury.

All NII benefits are routinely adjusted in April in terms of either the consumer price index or the average wage, which this month is IS87,566 gross.

A single elderly pensioner will receive IS14,011 this month, compared with IS11,192 last month, with an elderly couple getting IS21,017. An elderly couple whose overall income is on or below the poverty line will receive IS32,580.

NII spokesman Dov Kol is still at his job, following the refusal of NII director Danny Azriel to accept his resignation. Kol resigned several months ago in the wake of the confusion caused by the faulty distribution to the press of the NII annual report of 1982.

3 soldiers remanded in grenade throwing

TEL AVIV (Itim). — Three soldiers were remanded in custody by the magistrates court here yesterday on suspicion of having thrown a hand grenade at a building in a military base in Jaffa, wounding a reserve soldier and causing serious property damage.

The three denied all connection with the incident.

The court was presented with classified information which the judge said was sufficient to point an accusing finger at one of the three, Avshalom Kaham, 21, of Beit

Lebanon church dignitary admitted to Haifa hospital

Special to Jerusalem Post

HAIFA. — A spiritual leader of the Greek Catholic Church in Lebanon, Archbishop Nikola El-Haj, has been admitted to Rambam hospital here, the hospital spokeswoman said yesterday.

El-Haj is hospitalized in the urology department.

No money to open Rishon geriatric facility

By CHARLES HOFFMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A new 64-bed unit for senile and chronically ill patients in a Rishon LeZion geriatric hospital is empty because the government has no money to operate it.

This was revealed yesterday by the chairman of Eshel, Dr. David Harman, in a review of Eshel's budget for fiscal 1984. Eshel, the association for the planning and development of services for the aged, is funded by the government and the Joint Distribution Committee-Israel.

The \$1.2m. psycho-geriatric wing

of the Rishon hospital was dedicated last week. Half the cost was borne by American donor Charles Brown and half by the Health Ministry and Mifal Hapayis.

Eshel plans to spend \$6.2 million this year on community services, institutions and manpower training for the aged in Israel.

Health Ministry director-general Baruch Modan confirmed that no money is available to operate the unit, adding "there are many more geriatric cases now suffering at home because no money is available to provide more beds or to operate them."

He blasted the delay in implementing the Nursing Care Law, which, among other things, is supposed to provide families with funds to hospitalize elderly relatives in facilities such as the one in Rishon. Regulations putting the law into effect are awaiting Treasury review before being sent to the Knesset Labour and Social Affairs Committee for approval.

Modan said some of the IS10 billion that has accumulated so far in a National Insurance Institute fund to finance the Nursing Care Law should be used to pay for hospital services for the chronically ill.

Peres, Aloni agree on surplus votes

TEL AVIV. — The Alignment and the Citizens Rights Movement will pool their surplus votes, it was decided this week by Shimon Peres, Labour Party chairman, and Shulamit Aloni, head of the CRM.

Aloni met Peres at the latter's invitation to discuss the possibility of maintaining the Alignment agreement with CRM for the elections. Aloni declined to incorporate her party in a united list, but agreed that overflow votes be pooled.

Under the law, votes which do not suffice for the election of a Knesset member may be pooled and used, if sufficient, to qualify a member of one of the combining lists.

Druse want a 'safe' slot on Labour Knesset list

Special to Jerusalem Post

ACRE. — Druse members of the Labour party, meeting here yesterday, asked their party to place a Druse candidate in a "safe" slot of its Knesset list. There are reportedly at least 10 Druse campaigning for such a slot.

The head of Labour's minorities division, Ra'anan Cohen, told the participants that the party was ready to discuss their request but only after the Druse themselves select their candidate.

Meanwhile, a car belonging to Haifa advocate Jamil Shalhoub, a leader of the Arab Christian community, was set on fire yesterday before dawn. Firemen put out the flames. The arson was believed carried out by Shalhoub's political rivals.

The advocate, a former Haifa councillor, is expected to be a Labour candidate for the Knesset.

Some cases of 'Jericho Rose' in Jordan Valley settlements

By D'VORA BEN SHAUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A number of cases of leishmaniasis in settlements along the Jordan Valley have been reported in recent months. *The Jerusalem Post* learned this week.

Leishmaniasis is transmitted by the bite of the *Phlebotomus* sand fly and gives rise to an ulcer which often leaves a round scar known as "Jericho Rose."

The typical bite is usually on the face. Most victims are persons sleeping outdoors or in ground-floor rooms, or who are sitting outside on lawns.

Today the lesions usually heal with little scarring, since antibiotics prevent secondary bacterial infection. However, it is taken seriously by health authorities, since in some cases the bite of the sand fly can also cause Chaga's disease which is debilitating and affects heart muscles.

The Health Ministry has mounted a campaign to protect the settlers in the area.

Preventive measures include spraying lawns, walls and entrances to houses with insecticide, and cautioning people to avoid sitting and sleeping on the ground.

No one injured in TA Hilton fire

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A fire in a fifth-floor room of the Hilton Hotel yesterday was extinguished within minutes and there were no injuries.

The blaze erupted when a curtain caught fire from an electric appliance being used by a guest. Hotel security men, alerted by smoke detectors, rushed to the room and

extinguished the blaze. The fire brigade, which arrived within minutes of receiving the alarm, had little to do but douse smouldering embers.

Hotel guests on the floor were evacuated by the firemen, but allowed to return shortly after. The room in which the fire occurred was badly damaged.



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Mozambique scotches plans for flights to Tel Aviv

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Post Aviation Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mozambique authorities have foiled an attempt to operate a charter service between their capital, Maputo, and Tel Aviv.

The flights were to begin June 12, Laufer told *The Jerusalem Post* last month. He also said Mozambique authorities had given the airline the go-ahead.

The plan entailed passengers having to travel between South Africa and Mozambique either by land or air.

Israeli businessman Menachem Laufer and South African millionaire Tony Factor recently had concluded an agreement with Mozambique's national carrier to operate weekly charter flights here. The flights were to begin June 12, Laufer told *The Jerusalem Post* last month. He also said Mozambique authorities had given the airline the go-ahead.

But Maputo, meanwhile, decided not to permit the flights and civil aviation authorities there said last week that there was "no chance" the deal could go through.

Fourth U.S. airline to have flights here

Post Aviation Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A fourth American airline, Capitol, will begin flying here in June, stepping up the competition on the Tel Aviv-New York route.

Israel is currently served by two American carriers, TWA and Tower Air, in addition to El Al. But Transamerican has announced it would start flying here in June and Capitol said it would begin a twice-a-week service on June 19.

Capitol has no Israel permit but the problem is seen by a senior Transport Ministry source as a technicality.

The source said Capitol had presented all the necessary material to the Civil Aviation Administration. When the material is found to be in order, Israel will be bound by the air agreement with the U.S. which says that one side must permit flights by any airline designated by the other.

Capitol, which will be represented here by an Arkia subsidiary, said a round-trip ticket to New York will cost \$699.

Passengers will be allowed stopovers in Brussels and an unlimited stay in the U.S.

MKs' conflict of interest curbed by new legal ruling

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir has issued regulations limiting direct contact between Knesset members acting on behalf of clients and public servants in ministries and other government agencies.

The regulations are based on a code of ethics adopted by the Knesset last November. Rather than relying exclusively on the integrity of the Knesset members and on the House's internal machinery for enforcement, the rules have been made binding on public servants.

Issued as part of the official Directives of the attorney-general, the

regulations specify that any public servant approached by an MK who appears professionally as a lawyer or economic adviser, must re-direct the MK to the legal adviser of his agency.

The legal adviser may only act in the matter after informing the attorney-general's office and after receiving written instructions on how to proceed.

The directives are designed to prevent a conflict of interests between the MK in his capacity as a private adviser and as an elected representative of the public with a public duty to scrutinize the function of government objectively.

Rakah heads charged in Lebanon war protest

Special to Jerusalem Post

NAZARETH. — Twelve senior representatives of the Rakah-led Democratic Front for Peace and Equality were indicted yesterday on charges of demonstrating here in July 1983 against the war in Lebanon. Among those charged

were Nazareth deputy mayor Ramez Jaraysi and Munsin Jarjora, a Rakah leader.

All the accused have denied charges of demonstrating and disturbing the public order. They say they merely displayed placards near Mary's Well to express their opposition to the Lebanon war.

Cut-backs force delay in TA drainage scheme

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The cleaning of the sea along the Tel Aviv coast has been delayed by a year due to Treasury cut-backs. Tel Aviv deputy mayor Yitzhak Caspi said yesterday.

A drainage pipe from Reading to

the sea south of the city was to have been laid by this summer, Caspi said. But a reduction in Treasury financing of the project has delayed its completion until next summer.

Some \$58 million has already been spent on the project and another \$9m. is expected to be spent before it is completed.

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Bush offers U.S. plan to ban chemical weapons

GENEVA (AP). — Vice-President George Bush presented a new U.S. proposal for banning chemical weapons yesterday and said America was "willing to pay the price" by allowing inspections on short notice to verify compliance.

Addressing the 40-nation Geneva conference on disarmament, Bush said the verification provisions of the 66-page draft were "indispensable to an effective treaty" to eliminate "the possibility of chemical warfare forever."

The key article of the draft spells out what Bush called an "open invitation" verification proposal under which the U.S. and other

countries would agree "to open for international inspection on short notice all of its military or government-owned and government-controlled facilities."

In a reference to the Soviet Union, which has criticized the proposal, Bush said "some governments speak as if openness and effective verification cut against their interests alone."

"But openness entails a burden for every state, including the U.S. Openness of the kind we are proposing for the chemical weapons ban would come at a price...The U.S. government is willing to pay the price of such openness."

Victor Israelyan, Moscow's ambassador to the conference, said the Soviets would study the treaty, but in his brief address after Bush spoke he seemed to link progress on a chemical weapons ban to now-suspended U.S.-Soviet talks on medium and long-range missiles, and other arms pacts.

"Verification is impossible without appropriate agreement on limiting the arms race and disarmament," he said. "Disarmament is hardly probable without control, and likewise, there cannot be control without disarmament."

Bush repeated previous U.S. offers to resume the stalled missile

control talks suspended by the Soviets last November after Nato began deployment of new Pershing 2 and cruise missiles in Europe to counter an existing Soviet arsenal.

He said the U.S. verification proposal "springs from a desire that the ban work — work permanently and effectively to provide the security all of us seek."

The goal of our proposal is a treaty to require states to declare the sizes and locations of their chemical weapons stocks and production facilities, to destroy the stocks and facilities and to forswear creating new chemical weapons," he said.

Hindu vigilantes attack police in Punjab capital

NEW DELHI (Reuters). — Members of a Hindu vigilante group enraged by the murder of their leader yesterday attacked police and smashed vehicles in the Punjab capital of Chandigarh.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency said members of the Hindu Suraksha Samiti (Hindu Protection Force) marched through the city chanting slogans against the government and police and trying to force shops to close.

Police responded with baton charges, but the city bus service was suspended after buses were stoned and their tires punctured, it said.

The marchers were mourning the killing Tuesday night of Inderpal Gupta, president of the Protection Force in Chandigarh.

The violence broke out on the eve of a parliamentary debate in which Home Minister P.C. Sethi is due to disclose new measures to stop Sikh-Hindu clashes and vendetta killings among warring Sikh factions.

He told parliament yesterday 131 people died through violence in

Punjab between October 7 last year and the end of March, with 86 arrested in connection with the killings.

Prime Minister Indira Gandhi yesterday faced tough examination by an angry parliament in a special debate on the rising violence in Punjab, where at least seven people died on Tuesday.

A vendetta between warring Sikh factions has brought a gruesome twist to an already tense and violent situation. Five people have died in vendetta killings since Saturday. The latest victim was a woman in her thirties whose body, wrapped in a red cloth, was found in a sack on the outskirts of the Sikh holy city of Amritsar.

Police said the body had burn marks and swollen legs, indicating the woman had been tortured to death.

Police believe the body may be that of Baljit Kaur, suspected of involvement in the murder on Saturday of Surinder Singh Sodhi, an aide of militant preacher Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale.

Kampuchean-Vietnamese battle continues

BANSAGAE, Thailand (AP). — Fighting for the main Kampuchean resistance camp of Ampil raged yesterday, with Vietnamese attackers throwing in reinforcements as their losses reportedly mounted. Thai military and resistance sources said.

Reporters at an anti-tank ditch a few kilometres across the border from Ampil counted 35 explosions from heavy weapons coming from the direction of the camp between 8:15 a.m. and 9:22 a.m.

The Vietnamese attack on Ampil began Sunday. Ampil is the main headquarters in the "central" border zone of the Khmer People's National Liberation Front, a major resistance

group. A Thai army lieutenant here said the Vietnamese sent reinforcements into combat Tuesday, along with tanks and armoured personnel carriers. KPNLF officials in Bangkok said no tanks had been used in the fighting.

Korn Sarouen, commander of the KPNLF 212th battalion defending the camp, said KPNLF forces killed as many as 100 Vietnamese troops Tuesday. The commander, interviewed at the anti-tank ditch, said he saw three Vietnamese trucks Tuesday night loading bodies of Vietnamese who fell at the front. He said the KPNLF toll in Tuesday's fighting was four killed and six wounded.

Turkish court sentences 10 Kurds to death

ANKARA (AP). — A martial law court in the southeastern province of Diyarbakir yesterday sentenced 10 convicted Kurdish terrorists to death and two others to life imprisonment, the semi-official Anatolia news agency reported.

A total of 181 other defendants received jail terms ranging from three years to 24 years and 103 others were acquitted, the dispatch said.

The defendants were convicted of attempting to set up a Marxist-

Leninist Kurdish state in eastern Turkey and of committing several killings and armed robberies, Anatolia said.

They belonged to the outlawed Kurdish Workers Party, also known as the Apocular Gang. The latest sentences brought to 48 the number of gang members condemned to death.

Turkey has an estimated ethnic Kurdish population of six million out of a total population of 49 million.

Eritrean rebels to attack Russians, Libyans

NAIROBI (AP). — Eritrean rebels yesterday threatened to attack Soviet and Libyan targets inside Ethiopia because of what they claimed was recently stepped up military intervention by Tripoli and Moscow.

The Eritrean People's Liberation Front, in a statement received by the Associated Press, claimed Soviet-supplied arms were being delivered to the Ethiopian cities of Addis Ababa and Asmara twice daily by Libyan C-130 Hercules transport planes.

The front is one of the largest factions fighting a 22-year struggle to win independence for the northern Ethiopian province of Eritrea.

"There has been a steady escalation of the military intervention of the Soviet Union and Col. (Muammar) Gaddafi's Libyan regime against the Eritrean people," the statement said.

"We shall not stand idle but will do the utmost to counteract it, including hitting the aggressors even inside Ethiopia itself," the statement said.

Philippine ambush squad included women

BAOLOCOD, Philippines (AP). — Suspected Communist rebels ambushed and gunned down six policemen and militia members yesterday as the lawmen were driving to a village to recover the body of a policeman killed in an earlier ambush, police said.

One of the men wounded in the mid-morning attack said the rebels included several women.

He told reporters in a hospital in this central city on Negros Island that one of the women "shook my hand and told me not to return to this work when I recover. She looked like a student."

The girl and her companions took the victims' weapons, which included high-powered rifles, before fleeing.

Negros, 480 kilometres southeast of Manila, is one of the rural areas where the New People's Army, military arm of the outlawed Communist Party, is active. The armed forces have warned of possible intensified rebel action before the May 14 parliamentary election.

Fifteen police and militiamen and five suspected insurgents have been killed in the past three weeks on Negros.

Zimbabwe enters fifth year amid talk of gov't persecution

HARARE (AP). — Africa's youngest nation, Zimbabwe, celebrated its fourth independence anniversary yesterday with a mixture of military pomp and tribal pageantry and a renewed pledge by Prime Minister Robert Mugabe to pursue his goal of a one-party state. But allegations of massacres in Matabeleland were still rife.

"I trust that some way will be found, after a popular verdict has been given in favour of a one-party state, to translate the people's wish into a constitutional reality," Mugabe said in an eve-of-independence address to the nation on Tuesday.

Mugabe said he would seek a mandate for a one-party state at his ruling Zimbabwe African National Union's second annual congress in August. Zimbabwe's first post-independence elections are to be held before next February.

In an address broadcast nationwide by state-owned radio and television, Mugabe assured his 7.5 million people that "the situation in Matabeleland has been brought under control" — a reference to military operations to crush some 5,000 armed rebels allegedly loyal to opposition leader Joshua Nkomo.

Mugabe has lately come under fire from missionaries and foreign journalists who allege that in the last two months his soldiers have systematically starved and brutalized thousands of Ndebele supporters of Nkomo in Matabeleland.

Salvadoran leftists: We killed security head

SAN SALVADOR (AP). — A communist reportedly from a clandestine leftist group claimed Tuesday that rebels executed the highest-ranking Salvadoran employee of the U.S. Embassy because he had links to rightist death squads.

A typewritten communique, signed by the "Central Command" of the Popular Liberation Forces (FPL), one of five guerrilla groups fighting the U.S.-backed government, was left at a commercial radio station along with photographs of the bodies of several people allegedly killed by the officials.

Joaquin Alfredo Zapata Romero, 59, was shot to death Monday by gunmen riding in a taxi who pulled up to his car in a San Salvador suburb and pumped 10 .45-calibre bullets into his body.

Zapata Romero had worked for eight years as the top Salvadoran security official at the embassy with 200 full-time Salvadoran agents under his command.

NEWS IN BRIEF

150 feared drowned in Bangladesh boat collision

DHAKA, Bangladesh (Reuters). — At least 150 people were feared drowned when a motor boat capsized Tuesday night in the river Buriganga on the outskirts of Dhaka following a collision with another vessel, police said yesterday.

They said many people were thought to have been trapped inside the hull and a salvage squad was trying to lift the boat.

Iraq claims it destroyed two Iranian naval targets

NICOSIA (AP). — Iraqi warships attacked and "destroyed two large naval targets" in the vicinity of Iran's major oil export terminal on Kharg Island, Baghdad Radio reported yesterday.

The radio report did not specify the type or nationality of the attacked ships.

In London, sources at Lloyd's marine intelligence said a tanker identified as the Rover Star was damaged by a missile and was heading for Dubai for a survey of possible repairs.

They said they did not know when or where the incident occurred.

W. German anti-war rallies to focus on U.S. arsenal

FULDA (AP). — The West German anti-missile movement, in decline since last year's deployment of Pershing 2 nuclear missiles, has its sight set on a new target — the U.S. arsenal in Fulda.

Organizers expect up to 800,000 West Germans at anti-war rallies across the country during Easter weekend. Fulda will be a major site of the protests against U.S. nuclear missiles, chemical weapons and other "preparations for war."

Roads will be blocked to stop military convoys, traffic signs switched or removed to confuse drivers, banners hung to publicize the location and purposes of U.S. military installations and human chains formed between the bases.

Pan Am jet limps back to London minus engine cover

LONDON (AP). — A Pan Am jumbo jet, making an emergency landing on Tuesday after its engine cover tore loose in midflight, lost its front wheel steering but returned safely to London's Heathrow Airport, an airline spokesman said.

The plane, bound for Miami with 268 passengers and 17 crew aboard, also developed "a hydraulic problem" after takeoff, said a Pan American World Airlines spokesman. He did not elaborate.

People in the small southern England town of Woodley, some 64 kilometres west of London, scattered as part of the engine cowl crashed, damaging several cars in the town, witnesses said.

French government seeks confidence vote on economy

PARIS (Reuters). — The Socialist government here seeks a vote of confidence in the National Assembly today in a move seen by commentators as forcing the junior Communist partners to take a clear stand on their support for the administration's economic programme.

Recent government moves to restructure the ailing steel industry have caused a deep split between the Socialists and the Communist Party, which has had four ministers in the government since May 1981.

Italy frees Turk extradited in attack on pope

ROME (AP). — Omer Mersan, a Turk implicated in the 1981 attack on Pope John Paul II and extradited from West Germany last week, has been released, the Italian news agency Ansa reported.

Ansa said Mersan's release had been ordered by Ilario Martella, who has been heading Italy's investigation of the May 13, 1981, shooting in St. Peter's Square.

No reason was given for Mersan's release. No one answered the phone in repeated calls to Martella's office.

SUDAN. — Egypt's Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali left yesterday for two days of talks in Sudan which he said would cover Lebanon, the Palestinian problem, the Gulf war and African issues.

VISITOR. — Juergen Morelmann, state secretary in the West German Foreign Ministry, will discuss regional and bilateral matters during a visit to Egypt from April 26 to 28, his office in Bonn said.

'CIA supervised Nicaraguan rebel raid'

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — CIA officers directly supervised a commando raid that heavily damaged Nicaraguan port facilities last autumn, the Washington Post reported yesterday.

Administration and congressional sources told The Post the October 10 operation at the port of Corinto occurred months before the Central Intelligence Agency's (CIA) alleged direct role started in the mining of harbours in the Central American country in January.

Congress, last week angrily demanded that the Reagan administration withdraw any funds used for mining by anti-government rebels in Nicaraguan waters.

Yesterday's report said the operation against oil storage facilities in Corinto was supervised by CIA officials from a "mother ship" outside the 12-mile international coastal limit.

The CIA leased the ship last summer and American agents aboard it

furnished the speedboats, guns and ammunition and directed the raid by anti-government rebels, The Post reported.

Also in Washington, Adolfo Calero, leader of the Nicaraguan Democratic Force (FDN), on Tuesday suggested that the rebel group might continue mining waters off Nicaraguan ports.

"It is our right," Calero said, in a press interview. Calero, who heads the largest of the rebel forces fighting the leftist Sandinist government, said mining of waters off Nicaraguan ports had "helped to diminish the flow of Soviet and Cuban arms without a single life being lost."

Calero said he was surprised by the adverse reaction of European governments because from early January his group had announced the mining publicly on several occasions.

He said the FDN sent a telegram to Lloyds of London in January,

warning of danger to shipping because of mining, which he said was carried out in international waters and not in Nicaraguan territorial waters.

In Houston, former president Gerald Ford said on Tuesday he believes the mining of Nicaraguan ports was justified because the flow of war material to the Sandinist government could threaten the security of the U.S.

In a speech, he described the mining as a "technical violation of international law." He added: "We must view (Cuban President Fidel) Castro as a threat and a danger, and we cannot tolerate his expanding influence in the western hemisphere."

The former Republican president said that making "a politically partisan issue" of the Reagan administration's Central American policies was not in the best interest of the U.S.

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I RECENTLY had the unpleasant experience of spending two weeks in hospital.

As a journalist, I told myself that I had an advantage over the other patients, because I could turn my experience into a story. Thus, I was pleased by my changing room-mates, who saw a chance to "tell all" to an innocent world outside. When we now meet in the outpatient clinic, the friendship remains but the traumatic memories have faded. Life goes on.

Nevertheless, I think that it might be valuable to those who have never experienced life from a hospital bed to get a preview of what to do should they find themselves in one.

Difficult as it may be, the First Rule is very simply to nag. Nagging usually has negative connotations but in hospital, it is an essential tool of survival.

Having waited for my urgent (but minor) surgery for over three months, I was told by my attending physician that now I simply had to go up to the department secretary to find out when my surgery was scheduled. I did just that, only to discover that there was no document anywhere attesting to my existence, let alone my need for hospitalization.

Flabbergasted, I asked the secretary to telephone the clinic for verification. Nothing helped and I went to get another request for hospitalization. Everyone gave me the same advice: nag. They were amazed that I hadn't been nagging all those three months. So now I did.

The first day, I managed to get

through to the secretary by telephone. I was told to come two days later, to the department. (Nagging may not be pleasant, but it works.)

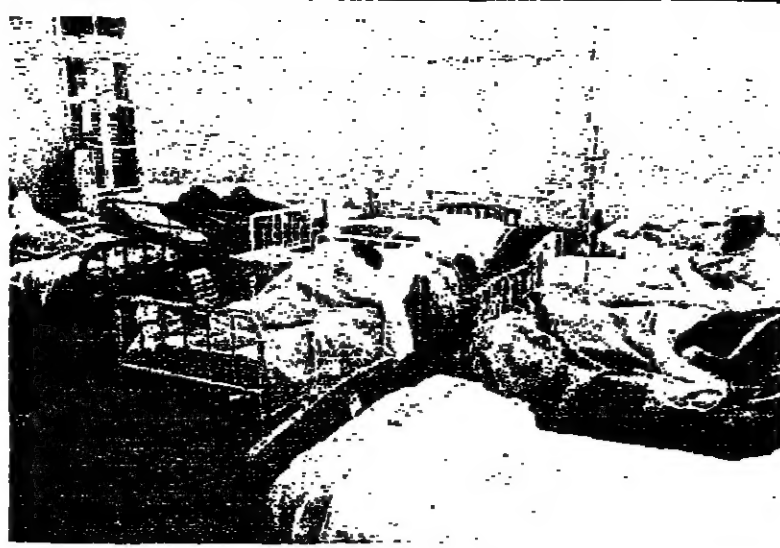
The Second Rule is to be healthy. Incredible as it may seem, it takes a healthy person to survive admission to the hospital. Unless you are wheeled in on a stretcher or in a wheelchair, there is a lot of legwork involved in moving from street clothes to hospital pyjamas.

I arrived at the department, fasting as requested, only to be told that I should have gone through the admissions booth downstairs first. That done, I was back on the third floor for a series of blood tests. The intern then told me to go to the ground floor (of the adjacent building) again, for another blood test, then to the first floor for a chest X-ray.

This done (and three hours gone by) I was back on the ward, to discover that there was one more test to be done, in the clinic outside. And oh, yes, of course I could eat again, the fasting was only for the initial blood tests.

The test outstanding was one I had done only the week before; the nurses could offer no advice other than that I should go to the clinic. From there — and with the help of several telephone calls — I returned with my clinic file, replete with test and X-rays.

Then it was time for lunch. The Third Rule is to have an outside accomplice. It is not possible to survive alone, and hospital staff frankly admit this. There are no days longer than those spent in a functional bed, so visitors are a



"A little consideration can save a lot of suffering..." (Rubinger)

Survival kit

Most of us spend some period of our lives in hospital. Liora Moriel offers five rules to make the experience less unpleasant.

welcome way of assuaging the never-ending boredom... visitors and magazines, books, crossword puzzles, games. Anybody not in uniform is a delight — if only for a shared moment of silence.

One word of advice here: Because there is little general understanding of nutrition, it often hap-

pens that these accomplices bring along things that are not conducive to the patient's health, like little bottles of coke. Also, nurses do not seem to check on whether those on salt-free diets have their angels bring in forbidden foods, nor those on sugarless diets. Very often, patients do not read labels and

assume, for example, that sweets are salt-free. Often they are not.

So, on to the Fourth Rule: Be assertive. Nobody knows as well as you do what is good for the patient. Read labels, introduce yourself to doctors and nurses (often, overburdened medical staff forget the person behind the disease) and try to be aware of what is happening around you.

Oversights are commonplace. For example, the woman who wheels in the early-morning tea is not always literate and may not notice if a patient is supposed to be fasting. A cup of tea may delay a test or even an operation.

Another example: a woman was told that she would be given a certain pill to help her condition. When the nurse arrived with the pill, the patient saw at once that this was not the one she had been prescribed. Thus a possibly serious mistake was avoided.

It is imperative to remember that, like any other institution, the hospital is an equalizer. There is standard room and board, dress and care. No privileges are granted unless you have a doctor in the family or a particularly interesting disease.

One way to get around this is to pamper yourself in some small way — by bringing a scented soap or an exhilarating after-shave, a rose, a radio, a robe.

The Fifth Rule is patience. It is difficult to master this rule in the hospital, so it is best to practise it to perfection outside beforehand.

There are a thousand irritating things in any hospital, and they will still be around long after the patient

is released. Things that do not bother us on the outside — like noise — seem to grow to immense proportions inside. There are few tortures to match the noise of the wheels rolling down the corridors at six in the morning. And anyone who is not a midget is bound to fidget in the standard functional bed.

Once inside, you are never quite sure as to when release will come. Doctors would do well not to promise an exit date, for there are many surprises. One teenager who entered my room with a passing illness — mostly for observation — received an illuminating visit from the hospital classroom's teacher.

"Listen," the teacher instructed her, "you may be here for two days, but you never know. You may be here for two days, two weeks, two months or two years."

Ironically, it turned out that the child's disease was a fleeting one, but a more major problem was discovered meanwhile to keep her coming back for more.

Patience. Go with the flow. Grumbling and shouting are of no use. Forget resistance. You'll be out before the revolution.

Relax and try to enjoy what there is. As the former director of Soroka hospital once told me, "A hospital is the most exciting place! Where else do you find action 24 hours a day?" And he was right.

The hospital is a great place to meet people from all walks of life. During my stay, I met a mother of six from Dimona who looks like her daughter's twin; a 12-year-old Bedouin girl who had swallowed three 10-shekel coins; a social worker; two

soldiers; a regal matron from Sderot; a very young mother from a moshav; and a wizened woman from Ofakim who looked very lost and very much alone.

Miracles began and ended on the floor above: 94-year-old Baba Sali, a revered sage with many followers all over the country and abroad, passed away, while several obese people got a new lease on life with a stomach-shrinking operation.

In the intensive care coronary unit next to my room, miracles are commonplace. In the eye department down the hall, laser operations save the eyesight of many.

The doctors and nurses sometimes look like air crews, wheeling in and out on schedule, but they react well to human contact. When a patient speaks to a nurse, a doctor, an orderly, the transformation is miraculous; a person emerges from the uniform.

"Tell it like it is," the patients asked me, especially during mealtime. (My experience was aggravated by the fact that I am a vegetarian; on both Friday nights I was served other patients' side dishes only.)

"Put in a good word for us," the doctors and nurses urged. "Tell them how hard we work — and for how little."

When I thanked my two surgeons for the operation, they seemed genuinely touched. It seems that patients often forget that simple courtesy.

Armed with these five rules, some common sense and a dash of good will, you will find your hospital stay to be a fortifying experience.

NO ONE denies that the standard of medicine practised in this country is among the highest in the world.

What is lacking, in so many staff, from doctors to nurses to technicians, is a drop of the milk of human kindness — consideration for the feelings of others.

Almost everyone has had an unpleasant experience in hospital. Women seem to be particularly vulnerable and more likely to feel subjected to indignities than men for some reason.

Some of the stories sound funny in retrospect and maybe they are, but they do nothing to instill confidence. One woman recalls how she went for a chest x-ray and was convinced the technician was feeling her up!

Another friend says the gynecologist asked her if she always made a face when something was pushed inside her. Having given birth twice in England, where the connection between the fetus and how big she is in the first place is

never, but never, acknowledged, she was rather surprised by this crude attempt at humour.

One person who thinks something ought to be done is Penny Frankel — from Savoyon. She has lived in Israel for 20 years but would still like to see the standards of her native England applied here.

The specific case that angered Frankel recently was when she went for a chest x-ray in a Tel Aviv hospital. Two years before, she had one in England and was automatically given a gown as is done also in the U.S.

She was ushered into a small room where several other women were waiting. They were all told to strip to the waist, and although one of them started to cry, they all did as they were told — except Frankel.

"I demanded a gown. The nurse refused saying I had to be naked for the x-ray which I happen to know is not true. I wouldn't move and insisted they bring me a gown."

Meanwhile, the little old ladies were sitting with hands crossed over

Medical manners

Israeli doctors are amongst the world's best, but their lack of kindness and consideration can be distressing, even terrifying for the patient, reports Gloria Deutsch.

their shrivelled breasts conjuring up horrible memories to which we, as Jews, should be very sensitive. Male radiographers wandered in and out and Frankel stood her ground.

"I was furious. Do men have to remove the lower part of their pyjamas and sit around with their private parts showing?" she asks.

Her persistence won the day. "The nurse gave me a gown and I walked in with my head held high."

The chief of radiology in a large central hospital, also ex-England admits with weary resignation that "we're a long way from home," but claims that the patient himself, is

partly to blame by accepting as a norm what would be unacceptable in a western society.

"In general people here are less concerned about nakedness and exposing themselves. Sometimes I'm amazed myself at what people don't care about. I've often wondered if a woman doesn't mind having a male radiographer put a rectal tube in. On the other hand, are three or four women waiting in a chest film room any different from three or four women in a swimming pool changing room?"

A similar opinion was expressed by my husband, a surgeon. He used

to be amazed, when we first came from England, at how the patient would roll over and submit to rectal examination without the slightest embarrassment. Today there are screens round the beds but he is one of the few doctors on his ward actually to use them.

Could it be that this Israeli lack of modesty is part of the one big happy family, all Jews together syndrome, used to explain away all kinds of strange behaviour?

What, in fact, is the objection to giving out gowns?

"Money," says the professor. "Too bad," retorts Frankel. "Let them cut up little squares of sheets. There's no excuse."

Consideration doesn't cost money. All medical textbooks emphasize that the patient is in strange surroundings and should be treated gently. Apparently, the Israeli medical student chooses to ignore this aspect of his learning.

Any woman who has given birth in an Israeli hospital quickly learns to abandon any pretensions to false

modesty. Apart from having to adjust to the blood-curdling cries coming from the cubicle on her left, she has periodic shouts of "oy geval!" from the cubicle on her right, and she has to resign herself to a whole stream of doctors, midwives, ultrasound technicians and orderlies wandering past and taking a peek at her nether end, while she is strapped up in the very undignified lithotomy position.

Nowadays, at least, husbands are allowed in to witness the birth, but we are still a long way from the American idea of the birthing room, with pretty simulated home surroundings, and soothing music.

Finally, a story which is just an example of what happens a hundred times a day. Rina's doctor found a breast lump and sent her for immediate examination to hospital. Because of the complicated bureaucratic procedures in the office she arrived five minutes late for her appointment and the clinic doctor refused to see her, although she was in a state of near-hysteria with

the fear of cancer hanging over her. She pleaded with him, and finally he consented to examine her after his urgent meeting. Two hours later he re-appeared for the two-minute examination, during which time she sat around in her bra, feeling wretched and terrified.

"He talked to the nurse the whole time and I was lying there like a lump of meat," recalls Rina. "Then he walked away saying he wanted to see me in a month. I plucked up courage and asked him if he'd found anything serious. He said he couldn't commit himself either way."

Still not knowing if she were under a death sentence or not, Rina went to her own doctor, who sent her for a mammography which confirmed that she was perfectly healthy. But she could have been living in fear for a month if she'd listened to the hospital doctor.

A little consideration for her feelings would have saved a lot of suffering — not just in her case but in thousands of others.

A matter of honour

Marsha Pomerantz

term in her vocabulary; she only knows that she is required to do as she is told and not bring dishonour to the family.

The girl who has never even spoken to a man in private before is handled, kissed, stripped and entered — "taken over" by her femaleness and dominated by a male.

The situation is full of irony as well as pain: when the act is done and the husband has proven himself, he invites her to join him at the refreshments spread in a corner. She does because she doesn't want him to think she's "impolite."

One of the main recurring symbols is blood: the spot that renders an egg unkosher, the menstruation that makes a woman "unclean," the blood on a sheet hung out in public to prove that she was a virgin and is no longer, the blood of childbirth.

The reading, which will be given again on April 26 at 10 p.m., is the second in the "reading theatre" series organized by Amir Orian and Dr. Shosh Avigal, two theatre critics, at Beit Ariella.

The programme is designed to give new scripts an airing, with consideration of their stage possibilities. An important part of the evening is the discussion which follows the reading.

Some of the questions considered recently were professional or literary: Is this a story or a play, and

does it matter? Would a full-fledged staging add to the impact of the monologue, or is it strong enough as it stands? Is it too long?

But because the play touches a particularly raw nerve, most of the discussion had to do with the content.

Some of the women present argued that the play is a general indictment of male violence against women, in any culture — that it is not only rape, but murder of the woman, her dignity, and her right to live her own life.

One male response was that Bracha Seri hates herself — that it's a psychological problem, or at least specific to a certain culture.

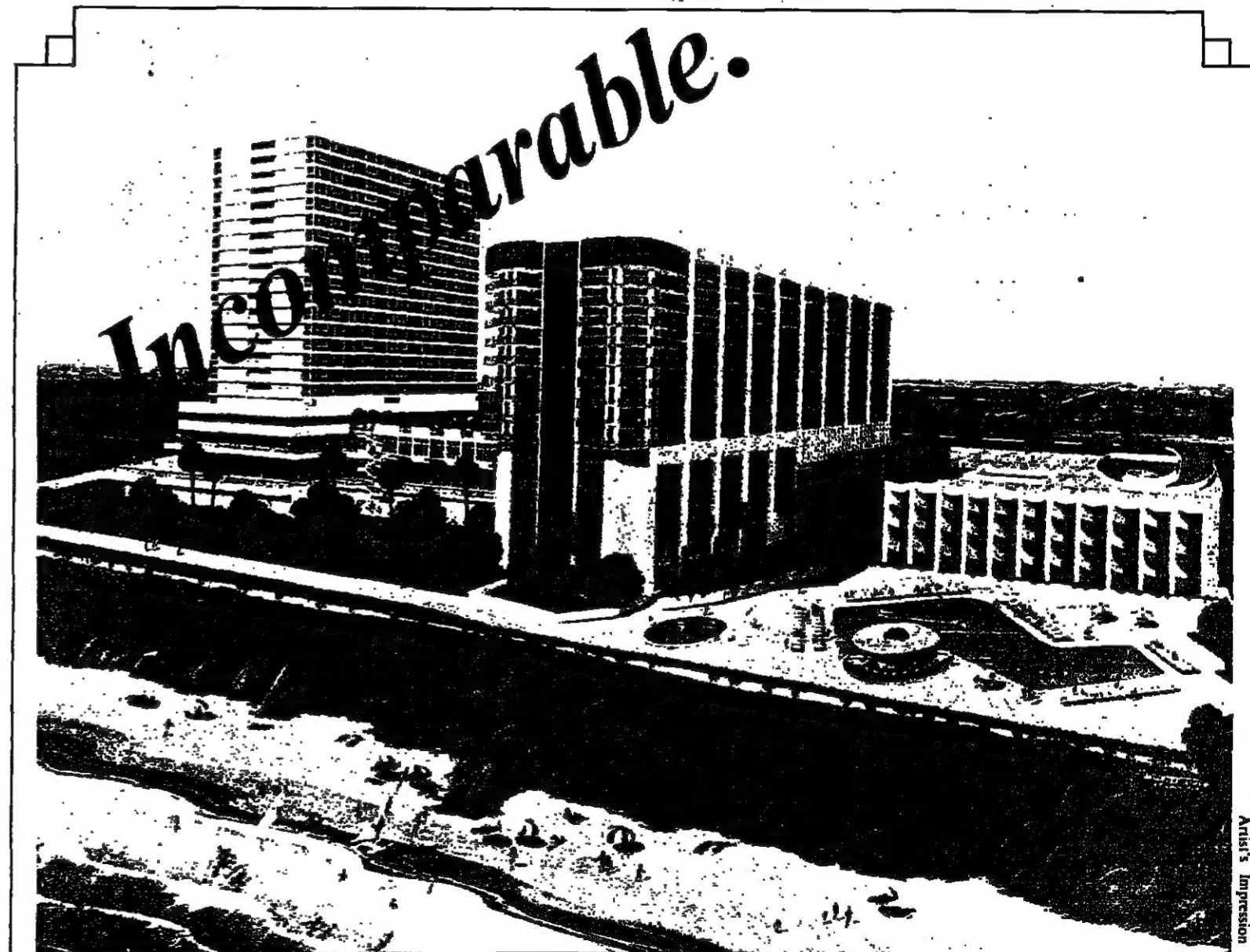
Director Yitzhak Gormesano, who was in the audience, said that for a production he was working on, he had interviewed Israeli women between the ages of 30 and 40 — and found that their sexual experiences were at least as frightening and degrading as the one portrayed in Kri'a. "And some of the husbands may be sitting here among us," he said.

Others pointed out that the husband in the play was as much a victim of society's expectations as the unfortunate bride. "Honour" in this case had nothing to do with humanity.

Whatever the specifics of the culture, there is something in it that touches us all. At one point in the knock-down, drag-out battle of honour, the puzzled bride hears her new husband mutter something about love.

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Shares soar as volume plummets

TEL AVIV. — Share prices rose sharply yesterday, but the volume of trading slumped to levels unprecedented in recent years.

The share market staged its traditional *Hol Hamoad* rally, and some of the rises were impressive. Considerably less impressive, but perhaps more remarkable, was the fact that total trading in shares amounted to a paltry IS264m., or \$1.55m.

Volume was not expected to be large, with so many traders on holiday. Nevertheless, the minuscule figure casts the price movements in a somewhat ridiculous light.

Of the IS264m. turnover in shares, IS110m. was in the "arrangement" banks, leaving IS154m.,

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By PINHAS LANDAU

or some \$900,000, for all the rest of the market. This amount was sufficient to cause 343 issues to rise, against 54 that fell. Over half of these 343 moved by 5 per cent or more, with 45 of them marked "buyers only." On the other side, 13 shares fell sharply and six more were "sellers only."

Some issues managed extraordinary performances. Pride of place went to the Ben Yakar option, which fell 13.4 per cent on an offer of 3,000 units. At the level of 200 points, 31 points down on the day,

a buyer was found for these 3,000 options; he thus paid IS6,000 or \$35, while everyone holding this option saw one-seventh wiped off its value. This move should be seen in the light of the 18.5 per cent gain registered by this option in Sunday's trading (when IS50,000 changed hands), and the 10 per cent rise in the Ben Yakar share yesterday (volume IS179,000).

Hardly less amazing was the 17.8 per cent drop in Zikit options. Here 7,500 options were offered, but the price fell from 1,057 to 869 before someone stepped in to purchase them, spending IS65,000 (\$380) in the process.

Nor was this action limited to options. The North American Oil ISS shares advanced by 15.5 per cent on a turnover of IS55,300 (\$320).

These are admittedly extreme examples, but they nonetheless accurately reflect the peculiar characteristics of the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange. One of these is the inverse relationship between volatility and volume. Whereas in most markets, dull volume goes with little or no price change, here the smaller the volume the more violent the price swings seem to be.

Bond trading was more restrained, with most issues slightly ahead, although sharper gains of up to 5 per cent were recorded in the 4 per cent fully-linked series. Volume in the bond market reached IS608m., lower than usual, but reasonable when compared to shares.

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Reersheba may take over industrial park

By LORA MORIEL

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Mayor Eliahu Navi said last night that the municipality may soon take over the Ramat Hovav industrial park 12 kilometres south of here.

The Negev's chemical industry has been concentrated in Ramat Hovav since 1976. Today the park is in bureaucratic limbo, with no local authority to oversee it.

Computer aids in diagnosis of abdominal pain

At the Rebecca Sieff Hospital in Safed

doctors a complete run down on reasons for abdominal pain and related symptoms.

The computer, an Apple III programmed by the director of the hospital's surgical ward and a computer programmer, was first

demonstrated last week in a study session at the Tel Aviv Hilton arranged by the ABIC drug company.

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Dutch guilder	57.364	Italian lire (1000)	104.77
Swiss franc	78.160	Japanese yen (100)	76.223
Swedish krona	21.825	Irish pound	198.74
Norwegian krona	22.547	Spanish peseta (100)	114.27
Danish krone	17.605	Jordanian dinar	458.36
Finnish mark	30.298	Lebanese lira	29.490
Canadian dollar	133.70	Egyptian pound	147.09

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the shareholders of the company will be held at the Roosevelt Hotel, Madison Ave., at 45th Street, New York, on Thursday, May 10, 1984 at 10 a.m. (New York time).

ON THE AGENDA:

1. Directors' Report and receiving and considering the Balance Sheet of December 31, 1983 and the Statements of Operations for the fiscal year then ended.
2. Election of Directors.
3. Appointing Kesselman and Kesselman as the independent public accountants of the Company.
4. Miscellaneous.

Shareholders entitled to participate at the meeting are those who were registered as such in the Company's Book of Records as of April 12, 1984. Shareholders entitled to attend and vote at the meeting are entitled to appoint a proxy. The instrument appointing a proxy must be deposited at the registered office of the Company, Science-Based Industrial Park, Kiryat Weizmann, Ness-Ziona, Israel or American Stock Transfer Company, 99 Wall Street, New York, by May 8, 1984.

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Wages of weakness

THE LIBYAN EMBASSY incident in London coincides with reports from Washington that the Reagan Administration has adopted a new and tougher policy to fight world-wide terrorism.

Fittingly, U.S. officials, in explaining the new policy, fingered Libya and also Syria and Iran as the prime instigators of "state-sponsored" terrorism. In London this description was immediately given vivid display.

Regrettably, of course, the phenomenon of state-sponsored terrorism has been playing the international community for a good number of years. But no nation or group of nations has been interested in confronting it. Everyone has preferred to believe that it can either be contained or diverted to someone else's backyard.

Britain itself is a good example. It has been severely victimized by Muammar Gaddafi's lust to wipe out his foes in exile. But for reasons of British interests in Libya, London has never felt moved to take strenuous counter measures. As a result the Libyan Embassy in London has become the headquarters of Gaddafi's hit men.

This use of the institutions of state, like embassies, for purposes of terror was first developed to perfection by the PLO. At various times it was able to exploit the willing cooperation of Arab governments who put their couriers, diplomats and embassies at the service of PLO terrorists. When foreign governments — and that means western governments — proved too faint hearted to take vigorous action against such misuse of the protocols of diplomatic immunity, terrorism of this kind became endemic.

Those who believed it could be contained, that Libyans could be limited to shooting Libyans, for example, have long since been proven naive indeed. Terrorism is a scourge which strikes the innocent, no less than the principals, and finds its way into a nation's own network of radical malcontents.

The British public is now angry because of the embassy incident, and because a young policewoman has been killed. But at the same time that public does not expect its government to take any decisive steps once the embassy siege is over. In fact it expects the guilty parties that were inside the embassy to go free.

That public expectation is based, of course, on the past record of the British Government.

It remains to be seen whether the Reagan Administration's new rhetoric contains anything more than rhetoric. Perhaps it is merely an election ploy or a temporary sign of American anxiety in advance of the Olympic Games. It should be hoped that this is not the case, and that the U.S. will take the lead in galvanizing the West to adopt a more resolute, and cooperative, policy against outlaw states and the terrorists they deploy.

Overdue review

THE WORLD Zionist Organization Executive is said to be reviewing its system of sending emissaries from Israel to engage in communal service abroad.

It is a system that has long been open to abuse. Since the WZO is a political body directed by representatives of the political parties, jobs abroad have always been part of the apparatus of political patronage. If the selectees were always suitable for their tasks, such patronage might not of itself be incriminating. But more often than not, patronage and merit don't mix.

In recent years, there has been some effort to clean up the stables. More rigorous and apolitical selection procedures have been adopted. But this is true only in some departments.

As a result many of the long-familiar weaknesses of the system remain: emissaries that are unsuitable, that are seduced by foreign fleshpots, that are not fluent in the language of the country in which they serve, that do not understand the Diaspora Jew, that lack the information needed to do their job, or, in the case of aliyah shlichim, to provide reliable guidance.

Yet none of the various WZO departments or political parties have ever wished to decrease the array of jobs at their disposal by seriously contemplating alternative systems to sending Israelis abroad.

Now a WZO committee, headed by Avraham Katz, who presides over the Youth and Hehalutz department, has called the system into question. The executive is to discuss the committee's report shortly. It recommends, not surprisingly, another committee and another more thorough study.

So the wheels will continue to turn slowly. The question is whether they will also move something forward.

POSTSCRIPTS

PS THE SOUTH KOREAN government has banned restaurants from serving traditional soups made from dog and snake meat to improve the country's image for the 1986 Asian Games and 1988 Olympics being held there.

A government statement said the ban, which had already been enforced in Seoul, would now take effect throughout the country. Both snake and dog are eaten in several Asian countries, including China. Seoul civic authorities reported

that 300 dog-meat soup shops which had served the dish in the capital had been closed and others were being phased out.

Dog-meat soup (boshintang) is believed by many Koreans to help invigorate health during the hot summer months. Snake-meat soup is traditionally served in the winter.

The ban caused a lively debate in Seoul newspapers, with readers' letters complaining that local habits formed over hundreds of years should not be changed to suit foreigners.

WARMING THE COLD PEACE

By ASHER MANIV

PRESIDENT HOSNI MUBARAK of Egypt must have caused serious disappointment to some high-ranking Israeli cabinet ministers when, at his recent meeting with Abba Eban MK, he reiterated his deep desire to adhere to the peace treaty.

Nothing would suit our present leaders better than to be able to say that the single peace treaty which Israel has been able to conclude with one of its Arab neighbours has proved a failure and that, therefore, there is nothing to be done but to continue depending on force alone.

In fact, that is exactly what they keep saying even now — in spite of repeated indications from Egypt that while Mubarak is not willing to "warm the cold peace" as long as present Israeli policies persist, neither has he any intention of breaking the peace treaty or doing anything that might prejudice the resumption of the peace process under better conditions in the future.

A most significant fact in this respect was his expression of hope to Eban (and largely overlooked by the Israeli press) that "later in the year" diplomatic initiatives might be launched that would break the deadlock. The hint is clear enough.

Another significant fact was Egypt's steadfast refusal to "buy" its re-admission to the Moslem and Arab world by sacrificing any part of the peace treaty with Israel. As far as the Islamic organization is concerned, Mubarak achieved his aim some weeks ago without having to make any concessions.

But many Israeli politicians — and most of the press — either ignored this or even presented it as another sign of the impending end to the peace treaty.

IF THERE IS no suitable Israeli response (not to speak of initiative), this is certainly not just a regrettable

oversight. Not enough notice is being taken by the Israeli public of the fact that all the senior cabinet posts in Israel now are held by people who did not support the Camp David Accords.

Although they tend now not to emphasize this point, they must at least be credited with sincere ideological motivation at the time. In any case, there is a marked difference between the basic attitudes of the Shamir-Arens-Orag team and those of Begin-Sharon.

It may very well be that while Ariel Sharon has no concerns other than his own political career, Menachem Begin himself — after he realized that neither Egypt nor the U.S. would be content with a separate peace and continued pressing for progress over the Palestinians — came to regret the one and only achievement of his government.

But even if this is so, the Lebanon war was based on a theory apparently not fully accepted by Begin's successors. It was what might be called the "Book of Judges syndrome": a series of intermittent wars, coerced peace, *hitnachat* (wrongly translated as settlements, but really meaning forced colonization) and, according to Begin's famous quotation from the Book of Judges: "And the land had rest forty years."

The abject failure of this policy, now being demonstrated almost daily, may have forced his successors to amend it somewhat. But it appears that their basic concept is different.

In contrast to Begin's "war of choice" theory, they seem to have accepted Labour's famous slogan of "Ein Breira" (there is no alternative) — but they have turned it on its head.

While the Labour movement has

always maintained that it was Arab refusal to recognize Israel's right of existence, which left Israel no alternative but to continue fighting for its survival, according to Shamir-Arens we do not want any alternative to the present positions, even if the Arabs are willing to consider a compromise.

That is why Prime Minister Shamir declared that Israel would never negotiate with the Palestinians even if they were ready; to recognize Israel; and that is why all he was willing to offer King Hussein were talks on how to stabilize relations along the present borders — thus making sure that the "danger" of negotiations with Jordan could be averted.

In short, they have despaired of Begin's unrealistic hope of imposing peace on the basis of the status quo, but they continue to believe that Israel must live by its sword for an unforseeable time, not because an intransigent foe leaves us no alternative, but because they want no alternative.

IN THIS CONTEXT, it is easy to understand why no attempt whatsoever is being made to revive the peace with Egypt.

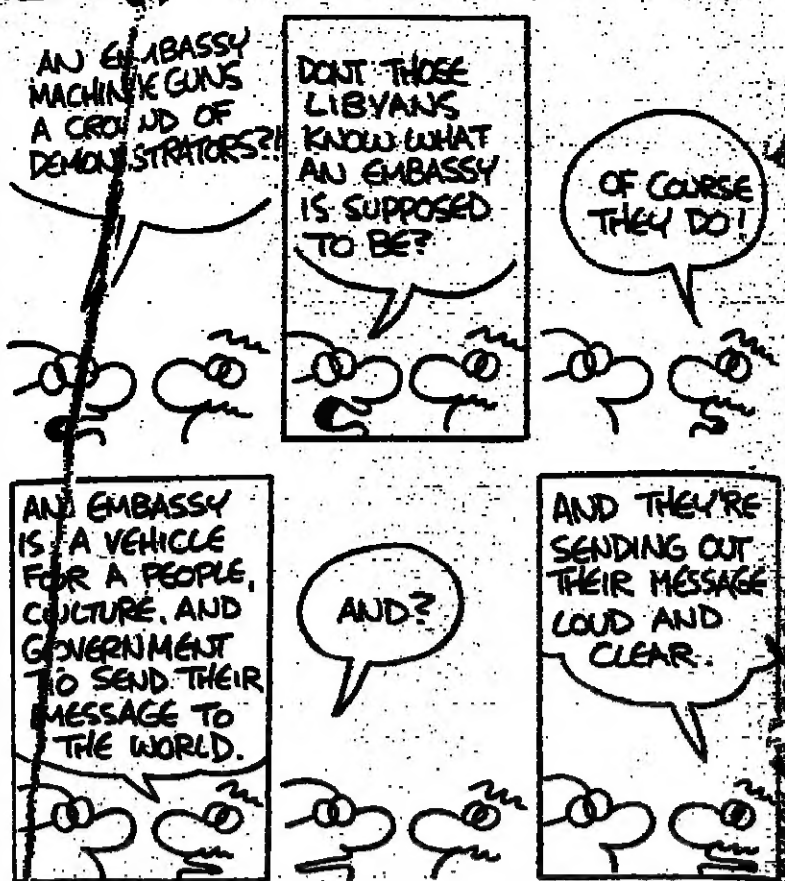
The present government is realistic enough to understand that there can be no continuation of the peace process without dealing with the Palestinian issue. Any negotiations — even if only on the reviving of the Shamir-Arens policy of deadlock certainly autonomy plan — must inevitably lead to concessions which are diametrically opposed to their basic ideology. Deadlock and "cold peace" are, therefore, preferable from their point of view.

The question that arises is whether or not a viable solution is the long run.

However, even if in the years of that policy the peace with Egypt finally breaks down they would not be particularly sorry. They might even rejoice at the possibility of being able to say: "I told you so."

All this is not to say that no blame

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attaches to Egypt for the present state of affairs. Egypt has certainly not gone out of its way to press for a resumption of negotiations. The logical conclusion for Egypt from the present analysis should have been not to reduce contact but, on the contrary, to seek every available avenue for talks in order to pave the way for comprehensive peace in the Middle East.

But while we in Israel cannot really tell the Egyptians what is good for them, we should know what is good for us. The Shamir-Arens policy of deadlock certainly is not.

Eban, reporting in *Davar* on his talks with Mubarak, described the deep disappointment in Egypt as a result of the consistent negative replies by Israel to any, even minor, requests Egypt has made to Israel.

That is an inexplicable act of folly, even in the basis of Likud policies. But the fundamental change in policies necessary in any case over Lebanon and with regard to Jordan and the Palestinians would also basically change our relations with Egypt.

CONTINUATION of the peace process is not a favour to be granted to Egypt by Israel. It is of vital interest to Israel itself.

Having attacked Mubarak for his meetings with Arafat some months ago, are we any happier now when there are signs of a rapprochement between Arafat and rejectionists Syria? Should we not rather help Egypt to be a force for moderation among the Arabs?

Egypt could also be a bridge though not necessarily a direct mediator, for peace with the Palestinians. For without that, there is only "Ein Breira" — not as a statement of regrettable fact, but as an "ideal."

The Labour Party will make a serious mistake if, in its election propaganda, it leaves the issue of peace with Egypt to Ezer Weizman, who would be only too happy to monopolize it. The revival of the almost lost peace should be a major plank in the Labour platform.

The writer is a fellow of the Yehuda Ben-Zion Research Institute of the United Kibbutz Movement.

READERS' LETTERS

CIVIL LIBERTIES IN PETAH TIKVA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The letter of Philippa Strum, "Religious coercion" (April 8) is replete with inaccuracies as to the situation in Petah Tikva and indications of a serious misunderstanding about the meaning of Zionism. I also find it of questionable morality for someone writing from New York to presume to sit and pass judgment on the events and people of Petah Tikva.

Permit me to correct some of the distortions. Petah Tikva has the distinction of being the oldest settlement in Israel. The Jews who ventured out of Jerusalem over 100 years ago to found the new colony of Petah Tikva did so in order to give the Zionist dream some practical realization. They were all religious. The fulfillment of the Zionist vision meant to these founding fathers the establishment in the Land of Israel of a way of life for themselves and future generations predicated on Torah values. These values not only permeated their daily lives, they were formally adopted into the codes that were then to govern the public life of the community and they were later incorporated into the municipal statutes and by-laws of the city of Petah Tikva.

There is no evidence on record of anyone being forced to live in Petah Tikva. The very opposite is true, people chose Petah Tikva because it provided an attractive and peaceful locale in which to raise a family. Thousands of immigrants from Anglo-Saxon countries deliberately sought out Petah Tikva also because of the quality of its spiritual life and religiously comfortable atmosphere. It seems quite clear that it is those who seek to change over 100 years

of traditional practice and impose their will on the established norms who are guilty of upsetting the harmonious relationships that characterized life in Petah Tikva.

Petah Tikva has for years had well attended soccer games on the Sabbath without any interference from the religious population. The core of the present controversy is the attempt to bring public desecration of the Sabbath into the centre of town and thereby not only upset the status quo, but offend the sensibilities of even a great many non-religious citizens.

I would like to call on Ms. Strum who represents an organization purporting to be concerned with civil liberties to reconsider her praise for Mayor Dov Tavori. The present acrimony that has replaced the former mutual trust and respect is a direct consequence of the mayor's actions. His campaign literature contained references to religious life that were malicious, inflammatory, and indicative of disdain for a significant part of the community. Huge prayer and protest meetings against the public violation of the Sabbath have taken place in Petah Tikva during the past months. They were held on the Sabbath and were absolutely non-violent, yet the participants have been confronted by police in full riot gear despite the fact that these meetings were all lawfully conducted. The two chief rabbis of Petah Tikva were arrested, detained, and shamefully treated despite the unequivocal peaceful nature of their protest marches. Good people who are concerned with civil liberties should pause and consider the above.

Petah Tikva. ZEY CHAMUDOT

OPERA BROADCAST

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It was good news for opera lovers in this country to learn that Israel TV had finally decided to give us a full opera — Turandot by Puccini. But why split the broadcast in two? It is counterproductive for atmosphere and concentration. And why screen the opera so late in the evening? (22.30), thus depriving many youngsters of an introduction to opera — an art much neglected in our country?

DARIO NAVARRA

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EXPLOITED FARMERS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As a simple farmer, I fail to see anything offensive in the TV ad about grapefruit, in the form of sexual exploitation of women's bodies (Letters — March 27).

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Notice regarding Introduction of Summer Time

The Ministry of the Interior hereby announces that effective the eve of the 4th of Iyar 5744, (May 5, 1984) at midnight, clocks should be moved one hour ahead, to 1.00 a.m. (May 6, 1984).

Summer Time will be in effect until midnight, the eve of the 28th of M. Av 5744 (August 25, 1984).

The Ministry of the Interior
Office for Special Projects
and Emergency Services.

Defence Service Law, 1959 (CONSOLIDATED VERSION)

Order to Report for Registration at District Recruiting Offices

Male and female citizens and permanent residents, who were born between April 11, 1967 and October 4, 1967, both dates inclusive, must report for registration at their district recruiting office in accordance with the Order to Report for Registration which they have received.

The men and women born between these dates who will not have received a posted order to report for registration will report at one of the recruiting offices listed in Table A, at 8.00 a.m. on the date given in Table B, in accordance with their date of birth.

TABLE A

Jerusalem	Recruiting Office, 103 Rehov Raasi (Mekor Baruch)
Tel Hashomer	Recruiting Office, Tel Hashomer, near Kiryat
Hatifa	Recruiting Office, 12-14 Rehov Omar Khayyam
Tiberias	Recruiting Office, Rehov Natrat
Beer Sheva	Recruiting Office, 22 Rehov Yehoshua

TABLE B

DATE OF BIRTH		DATE OF REGISTRATION	
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2. April 26, 1967	May 10, 1967	May 3, 1984	July 2, 1984
3. May 11, 1967	May 25, 1967	May 8, 1984	July 3, 1984
4. May 26, 1967	June 9, 1967	May 9, 1984	July 4, 1984
5. June 10, 1967	June 24, 1967	May 10, 1984	July 5, 1984
6. June 25, 1967	July 9, 1967	May 13, 1984	July 8, 1984
7. July 10, 1967	July 24, 1967	May 14, 1984	July 9, 1984
8. July 25, 1967	Aug. 8, 1967	May 15, 1984	July 10, 1984
9. Aug. 9, 1967	Aug. 23, 1967	May 16, 1984	July 11, 1984
10. Aug. 24, 1967	Sept. 7, 1967	May 17, 1984	July 12, 1984
11. Sept. 8, 1967	Sept. 22, 1967	May 20, 1984	July 15, 1984
12. Sept. 23, 1967	Oct. 4, 1967	May 21, 1984	July 16, 1984
13. Those liable for National Service (sadir) or Reserve Service		June 17, 1984	

Male Israeli citizens and permanent residents, who were born between January 1, 1932 and September 14, 1966, and who immigrated between October 1, 1949 and the date of publication of this Order in *Rishumot*, and who do not receive an order to report for registration for defence service by June 16, 1984, must report, as directed above, at their nearest recruiting office on June 17, 1984.

Those reporting are required to appear on the date and at the time indicated in the Order to Report sent to their home — or in accordance with the above table if they do not receive such an order.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES MAY A PERSON REPORT ON A DAY OTHER THAN THAT GIVEN UNDER THE ORDER WITHOUT THE PRIOR PERMISSION OF THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE RECRUITING OFFICE.

Those reporting should bring their identity card or Ministry of the Interior registration certificate (*teudat-rishum*) or birth certificate. Immigrants should also bring their *teudat olah* or passport.

A married woman who is a mother, or is pregnant, and who does not have a certificate testifying that she is legally exempt from defence duty, is required to come to a recruiting office and to bring documents testifying to her personal and family status, in order that she may be issued a certificate exempting her from duty.

From the date of publication of this notice, everyone who is required to report and who wishes to be abroad, must obtain a permit to do so from the officer in charge of a recruiting office. Note: The full text of the Order to Report for Registration will be published in *Kovetz Hatakanot*.

Aluf-Mishne Moshe Ya'ari
Chief Recruiting Officer
Manpower Branch